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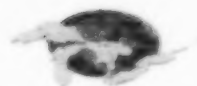
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Water Levels for the
Great Lakes and
Montreal Harbour:
*a monthly bulletin
from Canadian
Hydrographic
Service*About the monthly
Water Level bulletinJuly Precipitation
Over the Great
LakesAs a percentage of
the long-term July
average:

Great Lakes Basin 117%

Lake Erie 105%
(including
Lake St.
Clair)

Lake Superior 105%

Lakes Michigan-
Huron 104%

Lake Ontario 206%

Note: These figures
are preliminary.July Outflows From
the Great Lakes

Local basin supplies to each of the Great Lakes, except Lake Superior, were above average during July. The relatively dry conditions on Lake Superior caused its level to rise by less than it usually does during the month. The level of Lakes Michigan-Huron rose slightly during July due to greater than average local basin supplies coupled with the near average inflow from Lake Superior.

The above average local supply to Lake Erie offset the below average flow entering Lake Erie from the upper Great Lakes. As a result, the total supply to Lake Erie was near average and its level declined by about its usual amount during July. Above average supplies slowed and on occasion reversed the seasonal decline in daily water levels on Lake Ontario. The lake ended July at the same level as it began the month.

Great Lakes Water Level Information

Lake	July Monthly Mean Level		Beginning of August Level	
	Compared to Monthly Average (1918-2002)	Compared to One Year Ago	Compared to Beginning-of-Month Average (1918-2002)	Compared to One Year Ago
Superior	13 cm below	14 cm above	14 cm below	12 cm above
Michigan-Huron	24 cm below	33 cm above	24 cm below	31 cm above
St. Clair	4 cm below	22 cm above	1 cm below	23 cm above
Erie	2 cm above	15 cm above	5 cm above	14 cm above
Ontario	11 cm above	5 cm above	17 cm above	10 cm above

Open House Scheduled

The International Niagara Board of Control will hold an open house during the evening of Wednesday, September 22, 2004 at the Adam's Mark Hotel, 120 Church Street, Buffalo, New York. The open house is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. For additional information, please contact Len Falkiner at: (905)

As a percentage of
the long-term July
average:

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Lake Superior 99%

Lake Erie 101%

Lake Huron 91%

Lake Ontario 102%

Note: These figures
are preliminary.

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